

CABMW RECOMMENDATIONS for the August 2010 Wildlife Commission Meeting
(Month/year)

Clark County Advisory Board to Manage Wildlife meeting results

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Commission Action Item No. 10: Upland Game Stamp Request – Game Division Biologist Shawn Espinosa and Wildlife Staff Specialist Elmer Bull. The Commission will review and be asked to approve 10 projects submitted for funding from upland game stamp funds. The projects total \$172,110 plus \$160,000 in associated salary.

Recommendation

In Support X In Opposition _____

Other comments, including a dissenting viewpoint (different than the majority) or issue brought up during discussion:

The Clark CAB unanimously supported the proposed *Upland Game Stamp Request* as presented.

Commission Action Item No. 11: 2010 and 2011 Heritage Projects: Request to Modify Predator Management Projects – Secretary Ken Mayer . The Department is requesting that the Commission approve its recommendations to modify 2010 Heritage Projects #10-23, #10-26, and #10-27; and 2011 Heritage Projects #11-19 and #11-20.

The Clark CAB was very disappointed that this item is on the Commission agenda with no backup materials. Because there is no backup for review and comment, the Clark CABMW and the public were neither able to take action nor give recommendations on these important Heritage activities. The Clark CABMW is concerned that the Commission will make decisions on this agenda item without it being properly vetted through the county advisory boards/public process. CABMW duties per NRS 501.297* and 501.303* are negated, thus eliminate the public and CABMW participation through the public input process of state government.

*NRS 501.297 Duties: Evaluating local opinion and advising Commission. The boards shall solicit and evaluate local opinion and advise the Commission on matters relating to the management of wildlife within their respective counties.

(Added to NRS by 1969, 1560; A 1985, 1351)

*NRS 501.303 Duties: Submission of recommendations; attendance of chair or other members at meetings of Commission.

1. The boards shall submit recommendations for setting seasons for fishing, hunting and trapping, which must be considered by the Commission in its deliberation on and establishment of regulations covering open or closed seasons, bag limits, hours and other regulations or policies.
2. The chair or vice chair, or members of the board appointed by them:
 - (a) Shall attend the meetings of the Commission at which seasons are set or bag limits, hours or other regulations and policies are established; and
 - (b) Are entitled to receive such travel and per diem expenses as are allowed by law.

(Added to NRS by 1969, 1560; A 1979, 893; 1985, 1351; 1989, 2192)

The Clark CAB again STRONGLY recommends this item being deferred until the September meeting where CABMW input can be received. We also again recommend that the Commission post their agenda and ALL support materials

2 weeks prior (per Commission Policy #1) to their meeting. In doing so all CABMW's can get public input on the agenda items!

Commission Action Item No. 18A: Commission General Regulation Number 389, LCB File No. R083-10 – Chief Game Warden Buonamici. The Commission may adopt a regulation relating to wildlife; prohibiting a person from interfering with the use of a guzzler or other water development; providing an exception.

Recommendation

In Support In Opposition

Other comments, including a dissenting viewpoint (different than the majority) or issue brought up during discussion:

The Clark CAB unanimously supported the proposed the proposed regulation changes as written.

Commission Action Item No. 18B: Commission General Regulation Number 391 – LCB File No. Temporary – Program Officer III Maureen Hullinger. The Commission may adopt a regulation relating to revising provisions governing eligibility for the main draw if the application applied for the Restricted Nonresident Deer tag draw.

Recommendation

In Support In Opposition

Other comments, including a dissenting viewpoint (different than the majority) or issue brought up during discussion:

The Clark CAB unanimously supported making no changes to the existing regulation. We did not support the proposed change.

Commission Action Item No. 18C: Commission Regulation Number 10-03 – Waterfowl Seasons 2010-2011 –Game Division Chief Larry Gilbertson. The Commission may establish hunting season dates and bag limits for waterfowl, snipe, falconry seasons for migratory game birds, and a youth waterfowl season for the 2010-2011 hunting season.

Recommendation

In Support In Opposition

Other comments, including a dissenting viewpoint (different than the majority) or issue brought up during discussion:

The Clark CAB unanimously supported the proposed season dates and bag limits with the following exceptions:

- 1) The Moapa Valley portion of the Overton Wildlife Management Area is to open the first weekend for November with the same end date of January 28th. The reason for this is because flooding the fields in mid-October when the ground temperature is above 100 degrees allows considerable vegetation growth, leading to the loss of open water for the ducks and geese.**

- 2) Clark county would also like to make sure Key-Pitman and the Moapa Valley portion of the Overton Wildlife Management Area are open on alternating days. This way hunters can hunt every day by alternating between the two areas.

Commission Action Item No. 20: Petition – Patricia Swain for TrailSafe Nevada has

petitioned the Commission to revise the current Nevada Administrative Code to prevent trapping in all Washoe County firearm congested areas. The Commission may accept and initiate regulatory action or deny the petition.

Recommendation

In Support In Opposition

Other comments, including a dissenting viewpoint (different than the majority) or issue brought up during discussion:

The Clark CAB unanimously supported making no changes to the current regulation.

Commission Action Item No. 21: Wildlife Damage Management Committee –

Commissioner Scott Raine – The Commission will hear a report from its Wildlife Damage Management Committee and may take action on the committee’s draft plan recommendations that identify predator management proposals for the Predator Management Plan for Fiscal Year 2011.

Recommendation

In Support In Opposition

Other comments, including a dissenting viewpoint (different than the majority) or issue brought up during discussion:

The Clark CAB unanimously supported the continuation of the predator management proposals.

Commission Action Item No. 22: Finance Committee Report and Recommendation for the

Department Biennial Budget - Commissioner Howell -- The Finance Committee will report on its meeting and recommendations for the Department’s fiscal year 2012 and 2013 budget in accordance with NRS 501.337.

Again, the Clark CAB was very disappointed that this item is on the Commission agenda, with no backup materials. Because there was no backup for review and comment, the Clark CABMW and public were neither able to take action nor give recommendations on these important budget. Clark recommends the Commission take no action on this agenda item.

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